



FACT SHEET

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. FEDERAL BUILDING AND U.S. COURTHOUSE

Location: Newark, NJ

Owner: General Services Administration

User: Federal Courts

Size: 350,000 square feet on 3.0 acres

Cost: \$58.0 M Total Project

The Site: With the exception of the Rodino Building, the adjacent neo-classical government buildings were built between 1900 and 1936. They are 4 to 6 stories in height, clad in limestone and granite and designed in a classical style with detailing (like multi-story colonnades and elaborate cornices) establishing a strong harmonious character.

The Needs: District Courts
Magistrate Courts
Bankruptcy Courts
Court of Appeal
Judges Chambers
Jury Rooms
Administrative Offices
Cafeteria
Secure Parking
Capacity to expand from 11 to 20 courtrooms

The Plan: Three separate zones of access and circulation are required to serve;
the public
the judges and courthouse staff
the detainees
To achieve the necessary security;
a single public entrance is provided
courtrooms have no exterior exposure
a tunnel connects the new building to the existing
Courthouse/Post Office
A landscaped public plaza reflects the existing two block pedestrian
spine in the existing Government Center



The Design

Goals: the existing Government Center is REFLECTED, not copied
the organization, layout and operation is CLEAR and EFFICIENT
COST is CONTROLLED
the Building becomes a SYMBOL

The Team:

Architects
Grad Associates, PA
Howard Horii, Principal in charge
Allen Trousdale, Project Director and Chief Designer
Ronald Rear, Project Architect

Construction Managers
Day and Zimmermann
Keith Powell, project Manager

General Contractor
Joseph L. Muscarelle, Inc.

Consultants: Mechanical Electrical Engineers
Kallen and Lemelson

Structural Engineers
Ewell W. Finley & Partners, Inc.
DiStasio and Van Buren

Site Engineers
Chilton Engineering, Inc.

Civil Engineers
Ammann & Whitney